GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – MA&UD Department - Allegations of irregularities in execution of Road works in Hindupur Municipal Area limits in Ananthapur District – Departmental proceedings initiated against Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao Deputy Executive Engineer (Retd), Hindupur Municipality, Ananthapuram District – Enquiry conducted - Imposition of penalty to cut 2% in pension for a period of 2 years - Orders – Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.11

Dated.06.01.2022
Read the following:-

1. From the GA (V&E) Vigilance Report No.66 (1072/V&E/E1/2011) dt.11.06.2013.
2. From ENC (PH), AP, Hyderabad Lr.No.76/Hpur/CS2/2013, dt.22.08.2013
3. G.O.Rt.No.1837 MA&UD (E2) Dept., dt.19.12.2013.
4. WSD of Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer, Hindupur Municipality, Received on 02.05.2014.
5. G.O.Rt.No.267 MA&UD (E2) Dept., dt.03.04.2017.
6. From Enquiry Officer Lr.No.267/CON/Hindupur Mpty/EQ/2017, dt.24.11.2017.
7. Govt.Memo No.14319/Vig.III(1)/2013, dt.04.01.2018
8. Written representation of Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer, Hindupur Municipality, Received on 10.01.2018.
9. Govt.Memo No.14319/Vig.III(1)/2013, dt.09.07.2018.
10. Written representation of Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer (Retd), Hindupur Municipality, Dated on 27.08.2019
11. Govt.Memo No.14319/Vig.III(1)/2013, dt.27.08.2021.
12. From ENC (PH), AP, Tadepalli, Lr.No.76/Hpur/CS2/2013, dt.05.10.2021.
13. Govt. Letter No.14319/Vig.III-1/2013, dt.18.10.2021
14. From the Secretary, APPSC, Vijayawada, Lr.No.506/DC&C/2021, dt.01.12.2021

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O R D E R:

Based on the recommendations of Director General, Vigilance & Enforcement Department made in the reference 1st read above, Government initiated disciplinary proceedings on the allegations of irregularities in execution of road works in Hindupur Municipal area limits in Anantapuramu District by framing article of charges under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S(CC&A) Rules, 1991 against Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao Deputy Executive Engineer, Hindupur Municipality, Ananthapuram District with a direction to submit his written statement of defence, vide reference 3rd read above.

2. In the reference 4th read above, the charged officer submitted his written statement of defense duly requesting to drop further action against him. Having not convinced with the explanation of the charged officer, Government appointed an Inquiry Officer to enquire into the charges framed against charged officer, vide reference 5th read above.

3. In the reference 6th read above, the Inquiry Officer submitted his enquiry report and held that the charge framed against Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao Dy.EE, Hindupur Municipality, Ananthapuram District are held not proved during the enquiry. In the reference 7th read above, a copy of Enquiry Report was communicated to the Charged Officer Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao Dy.EE, Hindupur Municipality to offer his written representation in terms of Rule 21(2) of APCS(CCA) Rules, 1991. Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao Dy.EE submitted his written representation on the findings of Inquiry Authority duly requesting to drop further action against him in the matter vide reference 8th read above.

4. In the reference 9th read above, Government examined the findings of Inquiry Report and observed that as per the Inquiry Report permission was not obtained for re-conducting the core tests by JNTU and the locations of cores extracted by the V&E department and JNTU are different. Accordingly, the findings were disagreed and the disagreement factors to the findings of Inquiry Authority have been communicated to the charged officer for offering their written representations within (15) days in terms of Rule-21(2) of APCS(CCA) Rules, 1991. In the reference 10th read above, Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao Dy.EE, Hindupur Municipality submitted his written representation on the

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disagreement factors and findings of Inquiry Authority duly requesting to drop further action against him and to sanction retirement benefits including the pension benefits.

5. Government have examined the written representation of the charged officer keeping in view the report of V&E Department, disagreement factors, Inquiry Report and also the report of the ENC(PH), dt.06.01.2020 and observed that there is some financial loss, negligence which lead to rejection of work and recoveries from the Agencies and as such the explanation is not convincing. Accordingly, a provisional decision has taken to impose a penalty of 2% cut in pension for a period of two (2) years under Rule-9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980 against Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao Dy.EE, Hindupur Municipality.

6. In the reference 11th read above, a show cause notice has been issued to Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer (Retd), Hindupur Municipality, as to why the above said penalty cannot be imposed against him. In the reference 12th read above, Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao, Dy.EE (Retd) has submitted his written representation and among others, he has accepted the proposed penalty and requested to conclude the disciplinary proceedings, at the earliest.

7. Government after careful examination of the inquiry report and written representation of the charged officer and after following the due procedure, it has been decided to impose a penalty of "2% cut in pension for a period of two (2) years" against Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer (Retd), Hindupur Municipality and in the reference 13th read above, the Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission was requested to convey the concurrence of the Commission on the Government's proposal.

8. In the reference 14th read above, the Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission has informed that, the Commission agrees with the proposal of the Government, to impose a penalty of "2% cut in pension for a period of two (2) years" against Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer (Retd), Hindupur Municipality, Ananthapuramu District.

9. Government after careful examination of the matter, have been decided to confirm the penalty of "2% cut in monthly pension for a period of two (2) years" against Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer (Retd), Hindupur Municipality, Ananthapuramu District.

10. Accordingly, Government hereby order to impose a penalty of "2% cut in monthly pension for a period of two (2) years" against Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer (Retd), Hindupur Municipality, Ananthapuramu District.

11. The Engineer-in-Chief (Public Health), Tadepalli, Guntur, AP shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

12. The receipt of the G.O., shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Y.SRILAKSHMI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri K.A.Padmanabha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer (Retd), Hindupur Municipality, Ananthapuramu District – through the ENC (PH),Tadepalli, AP.
The Engineer-in-Chief (PH),Tadepalli, AP

Copy to:

The Secretary, APPSC, Vijayawada.
The Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality, Ananthapuramu District
The PS to M (MA & UD).
The Secretary to APVC.
Sf/Sc (E187744).

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER